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**Sent:** Fri 11/13/2015 7:59:50 PM  
**Subject:** FW: URGENT media inquiry - AP on CO disputing our internal GKM report  
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We have been asked by Mathy to elaborate more on our discussions with DRMS during our site visit. Attached is my draft response. I have cut and pasted our previous draft response and have added a paragraph on our discussions with the DRMS folks. Thoughts?

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My edit in purple below.

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**To:** Price, Lisa; Hillenbrand, John; Moreen, Ed; Wirschafter, Joshua  
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Lisa,

Does the redline below cover the exact words by Bruce? If so, I would like to send our response up the chain soon. Thanks!

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Great job John.

Just added a sentence in red below (from my notebook).

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I like John's input.

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See a few ideas below

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We may need to do a few bullets on this.

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All,

Dan Elliott of the Associated Press has until noon MTN/2 Eastern to file a story on CO DNR's disputing many details in our internal GKM review.

Given the timeframe, I suspect a desk statement may be the best way to go here, rather than a detailed response.

Who can take the lead?

Thanks,

Christie

Here's the inquiry:

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